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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Establishment of a New Agency Records Center.

REFERENCES: a. Memo dtd 25 Jan 54 to C/PRC thru A-DD/A fr C/GSO, sub: "Submission of Project Providing for Construction of an Agency Records Center."

b. Memo dtd 18 Mar 54 to A-DD/A fr C/LO, sub: "Agency Records Center Project."

25X1A 1. A proposal (reference a.) recommending the construction of a new Agency Records Center [redacted] was favorably considered by the Project Review Committee and forwarded to the Director for his review on or about 12 February 1954.

2. The Director requested that this matter be restudied (to include contacting the Department of Defense) to insure that there were no existing Government structures which could be feasibly and economically used for an Agency Records Center in lieu of the proposed new construction.

25X1A 3. The Logistics Office made such a study (reference b.) and submitted it to the Acting Deputy Director (Administration) on 18 March 1954 recommending that we proceed with the project as originally proposed, i.e., the construction of a new Records Center at the [redacted] at an estimated cost of \$405,000. This study was also discussed with the Deputy Director on this same date.

4. At the Deputies' Meeting on 19 March I raised this subject for discussion. Upon my recommendation, and with General Cabell's concurrence therein, the Director approved of the project.

5. Later on 19 March 1954 I talked with Mr. Lyman Hamilton, Bureau of the Budget, who, after consultation with Mr. Hart Perry, (Mr. Hamilton was unable to reach Mr. Macy, Chief, International Organizations Division) advised me that the Bureau of the Budget would interpose no objection to this construction. The Chief of Logistics was, therefore, instructed to proceed with the implementation of this project and to insure that Fiscal Year 1954 funds were obligated for this purpose.

Center approved by PRC, with recommendation that Comptroller use vouchered funds; but if unvouchered funds must be used for security, then DCI approval must be obtained.

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